



## Enterprise FB coach Rowley set to retire

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Enterprise High School football coach Mike Rowley is retiring from the gridiron after eight years at the helm. Rowley, who also teaches high school English, Spanish and history, said the move was the right thing.

"It was a tough decision for me, because I love it," he said. However, Rowley wanted to devote more time to his greatest priority.

"It's time I spend a little more time with the family," he said. "It's the same reason I quit construction. My son just graduated, and I woke up one morning and realized, 'You know, we just adopted him about two weeks ago it seems like, when it's been about 18 years,'" Rowley said with a laugh. "He's out on his own now, and I realized we'd better spend some time with the girls ... you blink and they're gone."

Rowley attended Montezuma Cortez High School in Cortez, Colo. He attended Dixie College, now Dixie State University, in St. George, Utah, before moving on to Brigham Young University where he majored in English literature. He thought about teaching.

"Then I saw how much teachers made," he said.

Rowley lived in South America from 1987-1990, and the language skills he picked up eventually allowed him to test out for a minor in Spanish. During those years, he also worked construction, worked as an editor for a computer company and sold cars.

He eventually owned his own construction company and traveled nationally installing marble and granite.

Rowley snagged his master's in teaching at Eastern Oregon University where he worked after graduation for two years before moving to Enterprise in 2006. He started his coaching career a year later as an assistant coach and was promoted to head coach four years later.

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## "I LOVE COACHING FOOTBALL."

Mike Rowley,  
Enterprise Football Coach

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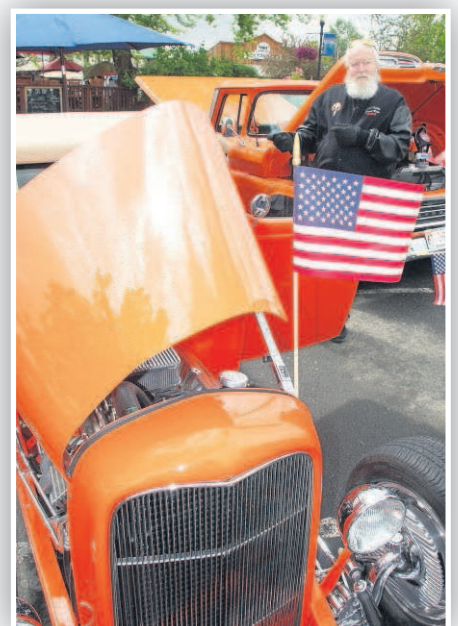
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Three guys from South Puget Sound — from left, Bruce Arnold, Jim Rolstad and Eddie Akers — inspect the finer points of a restoration job at the Oregon Mountain Cruise Saturday. The three have attended the Joseph show numerous times with other members of their car club.



Carol Ward of Enterprise pauses for a mid-morning snack Saturday, sitting in a 1941 Ford pickup owned by her father, Don, also of Enterprise. Carol also had her own entry in the 2017 Oregon Mountain Cruise in Joseph.



Car engines were shined to their sharpest for the 2017 Oregon Mountain Cruise in Joseph.



Ralph Kappner discusses the restoration of this 1932 Ford Dearborn Deuce with owner Larry Schnetzkey of Hermiston Saturday at the Oregon Mountain Cruise in Joseph. The vehicle sports a Flaming River tilt column with banjo wheel and a vintage air conditioning system.

## Golf lessons, advise on gear offered for children too

June is a great month to get married and also to observe Father's Day. The sixth month also recognizes several national days such as flag, dairy and candy day, and if you can believe it, it's designated as National Bathroom Reading Month. The latest mailing of the AARP Bulletin says so.

In support of the cause, AARP's staff suggests their readers take their magazine into the loo for some light reading, like their "Last Laugh" section. This column encourages its readers to get off the pot and go play golf.

## tee time

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Not only is golf an exercising sport, it's a challenging one. Although it's frustrating, you'll find pleasure in hitting a long drive or landing one on the green, a good chip or putt and clearing Trout Creek where an awful lot of golfers lose their balls. Even better is

getting you out of the house into the fresh air.

Alpine Meadows is a great hometown public course with an easygoing manner. This year the club offers lower membership rates for newcomers. With less push, the course is a good one for novices and for the "not-so-much-a-novice" to practice and enjoy their game.

The club schedules competitive tournaments, a variety of men's and women's weekly leagues, Eastside Seniors and scotch ball on Friday evenings.

Regarding scotch ball: A couple

weeks ago, Kathy Reynolds related this, "We had an exceptional turnout. Everyone had such fun and the potluck was the best in town, as it always seems to be on Friday get-togethers."

Do you have a child interested in golf but don't know where to start with golf clubs or lessons? Call the clubhouse for information. Heather Bruce gives lessons (both adult and youth.)

Greg Oveson, superintendent, praises his greens crew for the course's grooming. He also gives credit to the players.

"Golfers are really showing good golf etiquette this year keeping carts on the golf path, respecting the greens and adhering to course rules. It's much appreciated."

June advice: Be the blushing bride, hug your favorite dad, salute the flag, visit a dairy, milk a cow, divulge yourself in some dark chocolate, read a book, and by all means, play lots of golf. Summer's a wastin'.

Rochelle Danielson writes an occasional column during the golfing season.

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